FISCAL NOTE

SB 2623 - HB 2597

January 24, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Changes how the two-hour period is administered for breath alcohol tests, for the purpose of being considered as evidence, from a two-hour period following such person's arrest or initial detention, to a two-hour period following such person's arrest or placement into custody measured from the time of arrest or physical custody until the beginning of the observation period for a breath test if a breath test is conducted. Prohibits the two-hour period from applying to tests of drug content or cases involving serious bodily injury or death to another person.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Increase Local Gov't. Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Safety, Tennessee Highway Patrol officers would require a legal update as part of their annual in-service training. The department indicates any increase of state expenditures would be considered not significant.
- Local law enforcement officers would require a legal update as part of other periodic required training. Therefore, any increase to local government expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director